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Elba FD unveils equipment purchased by funds from Firehouse Subs Public Safety Foundation

by Linda Hodge, Editor

The Elba Volunteer Fire Department accepted a grant check Tuesday afternoon, June 7, from the Firehouse Subs Public Safety Foundation that is allowing the department to update its extrication equipment utilized in many traffic crash emergencies.

The grant check was in the amount of \$24,445.

Elba Fire Chief Drew Parker said his wish is for the extrication equipment to never leave the truck and be utilized, but he said

that unfortunately is not the way things work. He said the equipment is used much more than anyone ever realizes due to the number of traffic incidents the department responds to in its coverage area as well as assisting other local agencies.

According to research from the CDC, road traffic crashes are the leading cause of death in the United States for people ages 1-54.

"This year, thanks to a \$24,445 grant from Firehouse Subs Public Safety Foundation, the heroes of Elba Volunteer Fire Depart-

ment will be better equipped to save the lives of their fellow citizens in motor vehicle accidents," said Emma-Jean Livingston, manager of public relations for Firehouse Subs.

She said funds collected for this donation were made by guests in Firehouse Subs restaurants.

Livingston said there are three ways to donate to the foundation for the grant funds - purchase of a pickle bucket for \$3, donate change at the register, or round up a check to the next dollar at Firehouse Subs.

Such donations led to Tuesday's presentation to the Elba Volunteer Fire Department at the Firehouse Subs franchise restaurant in Enterprise, Ala., which is owned by Elba native Derrick Thomas.

"I am thankful to be a part of a restaurant that is not just a restaurant but is part of a partnership with a foundation that leads to things like this all over the nation," said Thomas.

He also thanked the firefighters for their service and said he was honored to partner with them also in acquiring the live-saving equipment - a TNT Cutter, Spreader, Ram with Extension Kit and accessories - via the grant funds.

After accepting the official grant check from Thomas, Chief Parker said he was thankful to be able

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Dixie Youth Baseball tourney action begins Thursday, June 9, in Elba!



Elba Parks and Recreation employees were busy at work earlier this week preparing fields at Hawkins-Williams Park for the Dixie Youth Baseball 10U and 12U tournaments set to begin Thursday afternoon in Elba. Elba will be hosting both local district tournaments for Division II with 13 different teams combined set to compete. Above, the employees are shown placing a portable pitching mound on the field. After Elba was asked to host both tournaments at Hawkins-Williams Park, Elba Parks and Rec grounds/facilities manager Adam Spicer constructed to portable pitching mounds to accommodate the events.

Elba Parks and Rec hosting 10U & 12U tournaments

by Linda Hodge, Editor

The Elba Parks and Recreation plays host beginning today [Thursday, June 9], to Dixie Youth Baseball Division II teams for 10U Boys and 12U Boys competing in their District Tournament.

Elba Parks and Recreation director Greg Hanchey said his team has been preparing for this moment for months after Dixie Youth officials approached him around the beginning of the year about the possibility of Elba hosting two district tournaments at its Hawkins-Williams Park facility. He said Elba hosted a district tourney at the park last year, and the Dixie Youth folks were very impressed with the fields and overall condition of Hawkins-Williams Park, and they decided to ask Elba if it would be willing to host two tournaments this year.

"It speaks highly of the efforts Elba is putting into its recreation facilities to be asked to host two tournaments at the same time," Hanchey said. "It means a lot of work for our folks, but it also brings big rewards to our city to be able to pull it off, and host lots of visitors here in Elba."

Both tournaments being Thursday afternoon at Hawkins-Williams Park with games scheduled on Thursday for 4 p.m.; 6 p.m.; and 8 p.m. Games also are scheduled for Friday [June 10], Saturday [June 11], and Monday [June 13].

The Dixie Youth Baseball 10U tournament for Division II will be a six-team double-elimination event. The teams participating in this tournament include: Coffee County [comprised of players from Elba and New Brockton], Hartford, Zion Chapel, Geneva, Kinston, and Slocomb.

The Dixie Youth Baseball 12U tournament for Division II will be a seven-team double-elimination event. The teams participating in this tournament include: Coffee County's Elba Americans, Coffee County's New Brockton Nationals, Kinston, Geneva, Samson, Hartford, and Zion Chapel.

[Tournament brackets can be found on Page 7 of today's paper, along with the tournament bracket for the Dixie Youth Baseball 8U tournament for Division II being held in Hartford - this tournament includes teams from Coffee County (comprised of players from Elba and New Brockton), Geneva, Hartford, Samson, Slocomb, and Kinston.]

"Between Thursday and Monday, there will be lots of visitors coming to Elba,

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Elba Police make drug-related arrests

Elba Police arrested three individuals Tuesday, May 31, on possession of controlled substance charges.

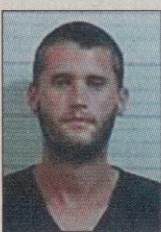
At 12:18 a.m. that morning, Taylor Cotton, age 30, of Dozier, Ala., was booked into the Coffee County Jail after being arrested in Elba for possession of a controlled substance and probation violation. The possession of a controlled substance carries a \$5,000 bond.

At 3:51 p.m. Tuesday afternoon, May 31, Brandon Owens, age 36, of Elba was booked into the Coffee County Jail. He was arrested by Elba Police on a possession of a controlled substance charge, and a criminal mischief - third degree charge.

The possession charge carries a \$5,000 bond while the criminal mischief charge carries a \$500 bond.

A t 5:59 p.m. Tuesday, May 31, Ronnie Edwards, age 49, of Elba was booked into the Coffee County Jail on a possession of a controlled substance charge after an arrest by Elba Police. This charge carries a \$ 5 , 0 0 0 bond.

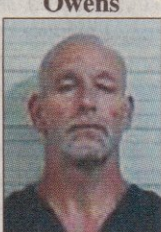
As of press time this week, all three suspects in these cases remained in the Coffee County Jail.



Cotton



Owens



Edwards

During New Brockton Town Council meeting Monday night

Mayor presents 'key to the city' to longtime volunteer

by Linda Hodge, Editor

The New Brockton Town Council met Monday evening, June 6, for its regular monthly meeting, and the council presented a 'key to the city' to a longtime community volunteer.

Mayor Kathy Holley presented the symbolic 'key to the city' to Barbara Herron as she thanked Herron for her many years of volunteer service to New Brockton. Specifically, Holley recognized Herron for 20 years of planning the annual Christmas Parade.

A surprised Herron thanked the mayor and town council for the honor, and said she serves as a community volunteer because she

loves New Brockton.

Also, during the meeting, the mayor recognized the reigning New Brockton Queens. These young ladies were crowned in April. A total of 10 reigning queens were recognized during the meeting, and the mayor presented each with a pin to attach to her sash.

Brock Matthews brought a concept before the council during Monday night's meeting for a new subdivision in the community that would begin with eight homes. He said these homes would be at least 1,800 sq. ft. each, and since the town does not have water service in the area being targeted, the home would be on septic systems.

Matthews noted the pro-

posed property for this subdivision would need to be rezoned for residential before the project could move forward. However, he said he was coming before the council Monday night to get its reaction to the idea.

The council gave its approval to move forward with potential rezoning to make way for the subdivision proposed by Matthews.

The New Brockton Senior Center will receive some help from the town as Mayor Holley suggested the town help pay for gas for the center in its efforts to deliver meals to seniors. She said the current prices for gasoline were taking a toll on the center's budgeted funds; therefore, the mayor recommended the town assist the center by paying for gas to deliver the daily meals via the SARCOA program. Council members gave their approval to the recommen-

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Area Happenings

THE ELBA CITY SCHOOL BOARD will hold its regular monthly board meeting for June on Thursday, June 9, at 5:30 p.m. at the Central Office, located on the Elba City Schools campus.

THE COFFEE COUNTY SCHOOL BOARD will hold its regular monthly meeting for June on Thursday, June 9, at 5:30 p.m. at the Coffee County Board of Education office in Elba.

THE JUNE 2022 MEETING FOR THE DAY WIREGRASS CHAPTER 99, located in New Brockton, Ala., will be Thursday June 23, at 6 p.m. at the New Brockton Senior Center. The group will be accepting nominations for chapter positions for the upcoming year. All members are asked to attend. For further information contact Charles Lobdell at 334-718-5707 or Mike Doran at 334-406-6700.

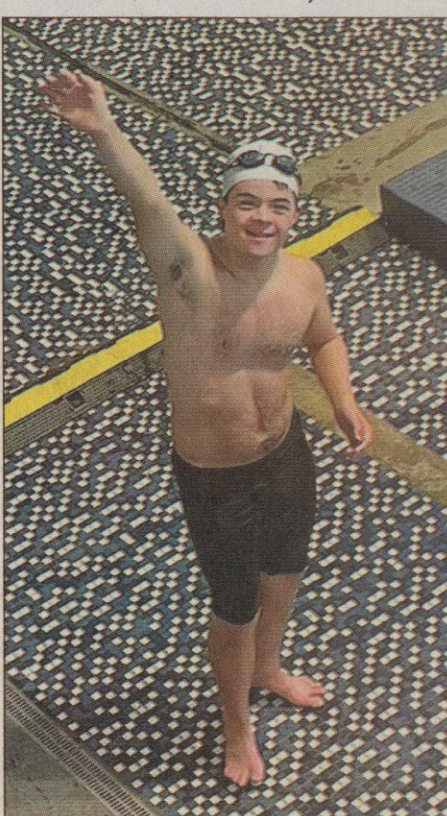


New Brockton Mayor Kathy Holley (right) presents a symbolic key to the city to longtime citizen and community volunteer Barbara Herron (left). The mayor thanked Herron for her many years of service to the community, especially for 20 years of planning the town's annual Christmas Parade.

stroke and fans from all over the country came together earlier this week to celebrate the kickoff of the 2022 Special Olympics USA Games, presented by Jersey Mike's Subs, in Orlando, Fla.

This week Special Olympics athletes will compete in 20 Olympic-style team and individual sports at ESPN's Wide World of Sports Complex and several other world-class sports facilities around Central Florida.

The Cline family was in attendance as Elba's own Joseph Cline was among the young athletes from Alabama participating in the Games. Joseph is part of the Team Alabama swim team, and he has competed already this week in back-



Joseph Cline waves from poolside to his family Monday at the Rosen Aquatic and Fitness Center in Orlando, Fla., where swimming events are taking place for the Special Olympics USA Games.

lon. In addition, together with Full Sail University, the USA Games will host its first ever Unified Esports Invitational. The addition of these sports has allowed more athletes than ever to take part in the USA Games. While in town, the athletes will also take part in exclusive programs and activities designed to ensure everyone has a fun and memorable

For the first time in USA Games history, athletes will compete in five new sports - Cheerleading, Equestrian, Open Water Swimming, Surfing and Triath-

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With Ferrin Cox

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New Brockton Queens recognized by town council...



Mayor Kathy Holley recognized reigning New Brockton Queens during the council meeting Monday night, June 6, and she presented each of the 10 queens with a town pin to attach to her queen's sash. Above, Miss New Brockton Taylor Williams accepts her pin from Mayor Holley.

TOWN

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recommendation, and Holley said the center's director would be delighted to hear that news.

Prior to adjourning, the mayor noted the New Brockton Town offices would be closed Monday, June 20, in observance of the Juneteenth holiday. Also, she said town offices

would be closed Monday, July 4, in observance of Independence Day.

The next work session for council members is set for Monday, June 27, at 6 p.m. while the next council meeting will be Monday, July 11, at 6 p.m.

Absentee voting deadlines for June 21st Runoff Election announced by Secretary of State office

The absentee voting period for the June 21st Primary Runoff Election began on May 25, 2022.

The Alabama Department of Human Resources (DHR) is encouraging the public to help protect older family members, friends, neighbors and others from elder abuse by learning to recognize the warning signs of mistreatment.

Thousands of elderly and disabled adults are abused,

neglected and exploited in Alabama every year. Gov. Kay Ivey proclaimed June 15, 2022, World Elder Abuse Awareness Day in Alabama to raise awareness about the problem.

An estimated 1 in 10 Americans over age 60 have experienced abuse. Victims include adults of all gen-

ders, races and incomes. The problem is expected to worsen as adults live longer and become more dependent on others for care. Alabamians can help protect those at risk by watching for these warning signs:

- Increased fear or anxiety
- Isolation from friends or family
- Withdrawal from normal activities
- Unusual changes in behavior or sleep
- Unexplained injuries,

bruises, cuts or sores

- Unsanitary living conditions and poor hygiene
- Unusual or sudden changes in financial spending patterns, will or other important documents

Report suspected elder abuse by calling the Adult Abuse Hotline at 1-800-458-7214, emailing aps@ahr.alabama.gov or contacting a local DHR county office. All reports are confidential and may be made anonymously.



PUBLIC NOTICES:

NOTICE OF ELECTION

STATE OF ALABAMA COUNTY OF COFFEE

Pursuant to and in accordance with Ala. Code § 17-9-5 (1975), and such other requirements, I, Jodee R. Thompson, Judge of Probate of Coffee County, do hereby give notice that the Primary Runoff Election will be conducted in Coffee County on Tuesday, June 21, 2022. The offices to appear on the ballot are as follows:

Democratic: Governor

Republican:
United States Senator
Secretary of State
State Auditor
Public Service Commissioner, Place 1
Public Service Commissioner, Place 2

On Tuesday, June 14th beginning at 1:30 p.m. the voting machines to be used in the June 21st Primary Runoff Election will be tested. The voting machine check will be conducted at the Farm Center Coliseum Building at the Coffee County Complex, E. McKinnon St., New Brockton. The test is open to the general public and anyone is invited to attend. This testing is pursuant to §17-7-25 Code of Alabama, (1975) as amended.

/s/Jodee R. Thompson,
Judge of Probate
Coffee County, Alabama
6/9-chg

CITY OF ELBA REQUESTS FOR ENGINEERING QUALIFICATIONS

The City of Elba is accepting Requests for Qualifications from qualified engineering firms to provide professional engineering services for a Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) project.

The scope and services desired shall include, but not necessarily be limited to the following:

CDBG Application Phase:
1. Preliminary Engineering

including Cost Estimates, Preliminary Engineering Report, and Maps for CDBG application; CDBG Post-Application Phase, if applicable;

1. Design and Specifications including bid alternates;
2. Preparation of Bid Documents, Bid Advertisements, Bid Openings;
3. Conduct Pre-Bid and Preconstruction Meetings; and
4. Engineering observation during construction work to completion to possibly include preparing change orders and/or amendment paperwork, if applicable.

The engineering firm will be selected on a 50 point rating system. Selection criteria will be based, but not necessarily limited to the following:

1. Recent specialized experience in CDBG projects;
2. Reputation for personal and professional integrity and competence;
3. Professional background and caliber of personnel to be assigned to this project;
4. Capability to meet schedules and deadlines; and
4. Familiarity with City's existing needs.

Proposals are being requested in accordance with Common Rule. Each proposal will be rated according to the aforementioned selection criteria.

Proposals can be dropped off or mailed to City of Elba, 200 Buford Street, Elba, AL 36323 by June 23, 2022. All professional engineering firms who consider themselves qualified are invited to submit a proposal. The City of Elba reserves the right to reject any and all proposals and to waive any informalities or irregularities in the proposal process.

Tom Maddox, Mayor
City of Elba
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Public Notices are
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of today's Paper!

Obituaries

Death notices updated regularly on our website at <www.elba-clipper.com>

EDNA LOU KNIGHT FARRIS

Mrs. Edna Lou Knight Farris, age 93, a resident of Elba, Ala., died Thursday, June 2, 2022, at Flowers Hospital in Dothan, Ala.

Graveside services and burial

were held Saturday, June 4, 2022, at New Haven Baptist Church Cemetery with Reverend Alan Dias officiating and Hayes Funeral Home directing. The family requested the omission of flowers, and asked memorials be made to the New Haven Cemetery fund, C/O Beth Henderson, 4768 County Road 410 Elba, Alabama 36323.

Mrs. Farris was preceded in death by her husband, Rudolph Farris; her sons, Joe Lane Farris and Carl Ren Farris; her brother,

Bob Knight; her sister, Betty Sue Knight; and parents, Cary and Stella Knight.

Survivors include her daughters: Karon Jewell and Jenell Fuller, both of Elba; granddaughter: Amy (Devin) Danner, Elba; great-grandson: Regan Danner, Elba; and her sister-in-law: Ada Knight.

MICHAEL JUAN PATRICK

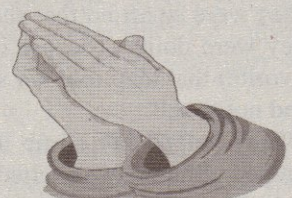
Mr. Michael Juan Patrick, age 68, of Elba, Ala., died Sunday, June 5, 2022.

Graveside services were held at 10 a.m. Wednesday, June 8, 2022, at Meadowlawn Cemetery in Enterprise, Ala., with Sorrells Funeral Home directing. In lieu of flowers, the family requested donations to be made to the National Law Enforce-

ment Officers Memorial Fund at www.nleomf.org.

Michael was born on March 12, 1954 to the late Manuel and Frances Duncan Patrick. He served his community for over 35 years in law enforcement and was also a black belt in Taekwondo. Michael attended Westside Baptist Church in Elba.

Survivors include his son, Jason Patrick; brothers, Devon Patrick (Loretta), Lawrenceville, Ga., and Rick Patrick (Paula) of Daleville, Ala.; uncle, Farrell Duncan, Enterprise; aunt, Doris Lavender, Ozark, Ala.; three nieces; as well as other family and friends.



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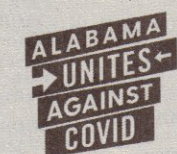
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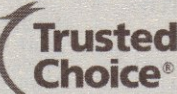
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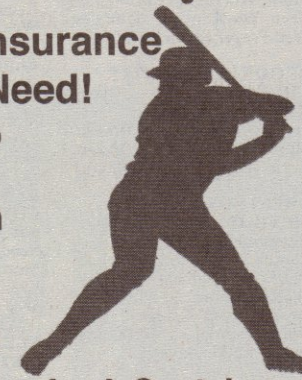
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Coffee County Republican Club to meet Saturday in Enterprise

The Coffee County Republican Club will meet Saturday, June 11, 8:30 a.m., at the Enterprise Country Club, 3000 Ozark Highway, Enterprise.

Republican Primary Senate Run-Off candidates Katie Britt and Mo Brooks have been invited to speak. So far, Congressman Mo Brooks has confirmed that he will participate. Ms. Britt is unable to attend due to a previous engagement.

If other run-off candidates are present, they will

be given time to speak as well.

RSVP to Sue Neuwien at 334-494-2427 not later than June 10th to let her know if planning to attend, and if planning to eat.

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The Shock of Loss

The passing of a loved one is hard to grasp. Even if you were prepared for your loved one's passing due to a long illness, the finality of death can still feel very sudden and shocking.

You may think you should be feeling the emotions typically associated with grief such as sadness, anger, regret, or loneliness – but instead, you may feel nothing at all. Others around you may also wonder why you aren't crying or feeling intense emotions.

You may find yourself feeling numb. You may feel like you are detached from reality or that you are living in a dream. Interactions with others may feel blurred or hazy. This is because your body is in shock and this numbness is your body's way of protecting itself from trauma. The shock of loss can also affect you in other ways. For example, you may have trouble sleeping at night because you find yourself constantly thinking. Or you may even forget about your loss for periods of time until someone brings it up or asks how you are doing.

You may also feel physical symptoms associated with your shock such as headaches, stomach aches, heart palpitations, jumpiness, and exhaustion.

Know that all these experiences are perfectly normal. However, while you are in shock consider allowing others to help as much as possible.

Eventually, after a few days, weeks, or even months, those intense feelings of grief will begin to break through. It may happen when you least expect it.

In the meantime, recognize that shock is a natural part of the grieving process and that it doesn't happen the same way for everyone. It's also OK to tell friends and family members what you are feeling and going through at that very moment. Finding a trusted confidant to talk with can help you start to process your feelings.

If you would like a free funeral decisions guide, please email me at
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CHURCH NEWS

PASTOR'S CORNER

by Ken Wilson, Pastor

Westside Baptist Church, Elba

"Be Sure Your Sin Will Find You Out"

I think my oldest son Andrew was about 13 yrs. old when it happened. Being the oldest of 4 children anything he did was cool to his younger siblings. So, when he decided to move the trampoline next to the house and jump off of the carport onto the trampoline they all thought they should do it too.

Our second son Adam would have been about 10, Aaron about 7 and my daughter Abby barely 5 years old. The three boys accomplished the feat and were enjoying themselves doing it over and over. Andrew had sworn his brothers to secrecy so that I would not find out about their death-defying fun. Everything was great until their little sister came outside and saw them. They were so afraid that she would tell me about what they were doing (because in their minds, she was my favorite) that they told her she could do it if she promised not to tell.

They helped her climb up on the roof and off she jumped. She was so excited about her accomplishment that she immediately jumped off the trampoline and made a beeline for the door while screaming "daddy guess what I did". I was awakened from a Sunday afternoon nap in my chair by her declaration, followed by the sound of three boys screaming "Abby nooooooo". She had my full attention. Thankfully, it all turned out ok, and they were warned of the consequences of ever doing that again.

Fully awake now and sitting in my recliner, I couldn't help but think that sin is just like that. No matter how well we think we have covered it up it God knows. In Numbers 32:23 Moses tells the tribes of Gad and Rueben that if they didn't do what the Lord wanted them to do "and be sure your sin will find you out." It's the same for us we can't hide our sin from God. That's why we are told in 1 John 1:9 "If we confess our sins, he is faithful and just and will forgive us our sins and purify us from all unrighteousness."

I think my boys learned that lesson that day. And I learned the answer to the question, "If you brother jumped off the roof, would you?"

Military Support Group Meetings:

Enterprise Military Support Group meets on Tuesdays at 7 p.m. Anyone who needs to talk about difficult experiences and needs an understanding friend is invited. Meetings at Church on Boll Weevil Circle, 2017 Boll Weevil Circle, Enterprise, Ala.

Upcoming VBS dates provided by Coffee County Baptist Association:

Mt. Pleasant Baptist Church - June 10-12, 2022
County Line Baptist Church - June 11, 2022
Basin Baptist Church - June 12-16, 2022
Church on Boll Weevil Circle - June 12-15, 2022
New Home Baptist Church - June 12-17, 2022
Hillcrest Baptist Church - June 13-17, 2022
Hebron Baptist Church - June 24-26, 2022
First Baptist Elba - June 26-29, 2022
Goodman Baptist Church - June 26-30, 2022
Grace Place Church - July 10-14, 2022
Lee Street Baptist Church - July 11-15, 2022
Bethany Baptist Church - July 17-21, 2022

VBS set for June 27-30 at Greater New Zion Missionary Baptist Church

Greater New Zion Missionary Baptist Church is planning an exciting "SPARK" Vacation Bible School from June 27th through June 30th, 6-8 p.m. nightly.

Those desiring to pre-register may e-mail admin. ssistant@gnzmchurch.org; call the church at 334

Basin Baptist Church to host VBS, beginning Sunday night, June 12th

Basin Baptist Church will host Vacation Bible School, beginning Sunday evening, June 12th.

The theme is "Spark Studios: Created in Christ • Designed for God's Purpose" with an emphasis on Ephesians 2:10.

The first two sessions will be held Sunday evening, June 12, from 4:30

8:30 p.m. VBS begins at 5:30 p.m. on Monday, June 13, Tuesday, June 14, and Wednesday, June 15.

Family Night will be Thursday, June 16, beginning at 6 p.m.

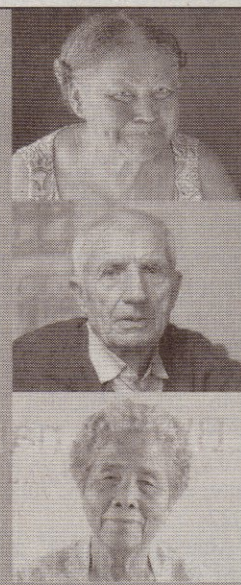
All are invited to participate. Basin Baptist Church is located at 9757 Alabama Hwy. 189 S, Elba.

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Round and About

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Scripture: Great is the Lord and greatly to be praised. Psalm 48: 1-14

Thinking of You! Praying for You.

Holden Harris, Evelyn Manning, Karyn Kelley, Paula Woodfolk, Barbara K. Smith, Vincent Smith, Joe Rudolph, Min. Robert Edwards

June Birthdays / Anniversaries

Mienundra Banks 6/2
Mamie Belcher 6/3
Marchello Reed 6/3
Marion Jones 6/5
Kimberly D. Kelley 6/5
Burlvie Jones 6/6 (in memory)
Tommy and Mary H. Robinson 6/6 W.A.
Brian and Tanisha Brunson 6/7 W.A.
Rev. Willie and Ollie R. Peterson 6/8 W.A.
Keith Martin 6/8
Debra Clark 6/9
Sasha Obama 6/10

United We Stand, Pride Fully We Fall

El Chapo was his nickname. It means "shorty," but Joaquin Guzman Loera stood tall in the world of drug trafficking. He was Mexico's drug kingpin. His organization smuggled tons of drugs through tunnels dug under the border between the U.S. and Mexico. In 2001, friends helped El Chapo escape from prison. He was recaptured in 2014 and sent to a maximum-security prison. He escaped again a year later. The escape route was a tunnel accessed through a hole in the floor of his cell's shower. The notorious criminal organization embarrassed the Mexican government with the sophisticated escape. Pride led to El Chapo's recapture, however. Word of his whereabouts leaked out when he was trying to arrange a deal for a movie

of his life story. The organizational unity that had led to "success" in El Chapo's illegal activities was thereby undone.

The church has the noblest of missions: making disciples (Matthew 28: 19, 20). But evil people like El Chapo aren't the only ones whose pride causes stumbling. When our way becomes more important than Christ's way, the world will be sure to see it. - C.R.B.

Question / Answer Section

Q/A for the Week of 6/9/22 True or False

Q: In the book of 1st King, Obadiah feared being killed if he announced Ahab's presence to Elijah.

A: True [1 King 18: 8-9]

Q: In the book of Lamentations, because of the punishment of the Judeans their dancing had turned into mourning.

A: True [Lamentations 5:15]

Thought to Remember

Everyone faces this choice: Christ or Condemnation

Questions for the Week of 6/16/22

True or False

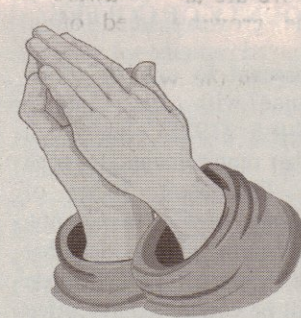
Q: The first Christians shared everything with one another.

Q: Believers are to avoid favoritism of the rich over the poor.

Q: The people were near the Lord in their hearts but far away in mouth and lips.

Today is a good day! Be grateful.

Eria's Daughter, Sue



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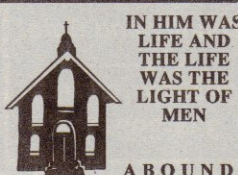


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Church Directory



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ABUNDANT LIFE CHURCH SAMSON, Ala.

Richard Thorn Sr., Pastor
Morn. Worship... 10:30 a.m.
Wed. Night Service 7:00 p.m.

ALBERTON BAPTIST CHURCH

Harry Driggers, Pastor
Sunday School... 10:00 a.m.
Morn. Worship... 11:00 a.m.
Even. Worship... 6:00 p.m.
Wed. Prayer Service 7:00 p.m.

BASIN BAPTIST CHURCH

Sam Self, Pastor
Sunday School... 9:30 a.m.
Morn. Worship... 10:30 a.m.
Wed. Prayer Meet... 6:30 p.m.

BETHLEHEM BAPTIST CHURCH

Deborah A. Butler, Pastor
Sunday School... 10:00 a.m.
Morn. Worship... 11:00 a.m.
Wed. Bible Study... 6:00 p.m.

BETHANY BAPTIST CHURCH

Greg Cotter, Pastor
Sunday School... 9:00 a.m.
Morn. Worship... 10:00 a.m.
Disciple Train... 5:30 p.m.
Even. Worship... 6:30 p.m.

BLUFF SPRINGS BAPTIST CHURCH

Sunday School... 10:00 a.m.
Morn. Worship... 11:00 a.m.
Even. Worship... 6:00 p.m.
Wed. Prayer Service 6:30 p.m.

BROOKLYN BAPTIST CHURCH

Robert Davis, Pastor
Sunday School... 10:00 a.m.
Morn. Worship... 11:00 a.m.
Even. Worship... 6:00 p.m.

CHESTNUT GROVE METHODIST CHURCH

Remonia Smith, Pastor
Church Service... 9:00 a.m.
2nd & 4th Sundays
Sunday School... 9:00 a.m.
1st, 3rd & 5th Sundays
Sunday School... 10:00 a.m.
2nd & 4th Sundays

CORNERSTONE BIBLE CHURCH

Larry Mills, Pastor
Sunday School... 10:00 a.m.
Sunday Worship... 11:00 a.m.
Wed. Night... 7:00 p.m.

COVENANT COMMUNITY CHURCH

Paul Jackson, Pastor
Sunday Fellowship... 9:30 a.m.
Sunday Worship... 10:00 a.m.
Wed. Night "Peak of the Week & meal... 5:30 p.m.
Bible Study & Prayer... 6:15 p.m. until 7:00 p.m.

DAMASCUS BAPTIST CHURCH

Steve Watson, Pastor
Sunday School... 9:45 a.m.
Morn. Worship... 11:00 a.m.
Even. Worship... 6:00 p.m.
Wed. Prayer Service 7:00 p.m.

DORCAS BAPTIST CHURCH

Sunday School... 10:00 a.m.
Morn. Worship... 11:00 a.m.
Discipleship Training 5:00 p.m.
Even. Worship... 6:00 p.m.
Wed. Prayer Meet... 7:00 p.m.

ELBA CHURCH OF CHRIST

Phillip Box, Minister
Bible Study... 9:00 a.m.
Morn. Worship... 10:00 a.m.
Even. Service... 5:00 p.m.
Wed. Bible Study... 6:30 p.m.

ELBA CHURCH OF GOD

David Noble, Pastor
Morn. Worship... 10:45 a.m.
Even. Worship... 5:00 p.m.

ELBA CHURCH OF GOD OF PROPHECY

H.L. Buckner, Pastor
Sunday School... 10:00 a.m.
Morn. Worship... 11:00 a.m.
Sunday Night... 6:00 p.m.
Thurs. Night... 7:00 p.m.

ELBA DELIVERANCE TABERNACLE

Allen Richards, Pastor
Sunday School... 10:00 a.m.
Morn. Worship... 11:00 a.m.
Even. Service... 5:00 p.m.
Wed. Service... 7:00 p.m.

ELBA FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH

Kit Johnson, Pastor
Sunday School... 9:00 a.m.
Morn. Worship... 10:00 a.m.
Even. Service... 6:00 p.m.
Wed. Service... 6:30 p.m.

ELBA UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

Steve Reneau, Pastor
Sunday School... 9:00 a.m.
Morn. Worship... 10:00 a.m.
Even. Service... 6:00 p.m.
Wed. Bible Study... 6:00 p.m.

ELBA ZION BAPTIST CHURCH

Lovell Martin, Pastor
Sunday School... 9:45 a.m.
Morn. Worship... 11:00 a.m.
Even. Service... 6:00 p.m.

EVANGELIST TEMPLE CHURCH OF GOD IN CHRIST

Timothy Williams, Pastor
Sunday School... 10:30 a.m.
Morn. Worship... 11:30 a.m.
Wed. Bible Study... 6:00 p.m.

FAIRVIEW BAPTIST CHURCH

Sunday School... 9:45 a.m.
Morn. Worship... 11:00 a.m.
Wed. Prayer Meet 7:30 p.m.

FAITH CHAPEL COMMUNITY CHURCH

Phillip Adcock, Pastor
Sunday Morning... 10:30 a.m.
Sunday Evening... 5:00 p.m.
Wed. Prayer Service 7:00 p.m.

1st ASSEMBLYS OF GOD - KINSTON

Danny Bradshaw, Pastor
Sunday School... 9:45 a.m.
Morn. Worship... 11:00 a.m.
Wed. Bible Study... 7:00 p.m.

FRIENDSHIP BAPTIST CHURCH

Scott Donaldson, Pastor
Jonathan Jenkins, Pastor
Morn. Worship... 10:00 a.m.
Sunday School... 9:00 a.m.
Even. Service... 5:00 p.m.
Wed. Prayer Service 6:30 p.m.

FRIENDSHIP HOLINESS CHURCH

Edward E. Drake, Pastor
Sunday School... 10:00 a.m.
Morn. Worship... 11:00 a.m.
Sunday Evening... 5:00 p.m.

GODS POWER HOUSE EVANGELISTIC CHURCH

Overseers - Billy Berry
Sat. Service... 6:00 p.m.
Sun. Service... 10:00 a.m.
Grace Service... 4:00 p.m.

GRACE FELLOWSHIP

John Curtis Isaacs, Pastor
Sunday School... 10:00 a.m.
Morn. Worship... 11:00 a.m.
Even. Service... 6:00 p.m.
Wed. Service... 7:00 p.m.

GREATER NEW ZION BAPTIST CHURCH

Jeremie Turner, Sr. Pastor
Sunday School... 9:45 a.m.
Morn. Worship... 11:00 a.m.
Wed. Bible Study... 6:00 p.m.

HARRIS TEMPLE COGIC CHURCH

W. K. Ellison, Pastor
Sunday School... 9:45 a.m.
Morn. Worship... 11:00 a.m.
Wed. Service... 6:00 p.m.

HAW HILL ASSEMBLY OF GOD

Shirley Ellis, Pastor
Sunday School... 9:45 a.m.
Morn. Worship... 11:00 a.m.
Even. Service... 6:00 p.m.
Wed. Prayer Meet... 7:00 p.m.

HEBRON BAPT. CHURCH

Mark Cooper, Pastor
Sunday School... 10:00 a.m.
Morn. Worship... 11:00 a.m.
Even. Service... 6:30 p.m.
Wed. Even. Meeting 7:00 p.m.

HOLY TEMPLE COGIC

Glenwood, AL
Sunday Prayer... 9:30 a.m.
Sunday School... 10:00 a.m.
Worship Service... 11:00 a.m.

INO ASSEMBLY OF GOD

Wesley D. Ard, Pastor
Sunday School... 10:00 a.m.
Morn. Worship... 11:00 a.m.
Even. Service... 6:00 p.m.
Wed. Prayer Meeting 6:30 p.m.

INO BAPTIST CHURCH

Garry Winstead, Pastor
Sunday School... 8:45 a.m.
Morn. Worship... 10:00 a.m.
Even. Service... 5:00 p.m.
Wed. Prayer Meeting 6:30 p.m.

JACK ASSEMBLY OF GOD

Matthew Morris, Pastor
Sunday School... 9:00 a.m.
Morn. Worship... 10:00 a.m.
Even. Service... 5:00 p.m.
Wed. Prayer Service 7:15 p.m.

KINSTON 1st BAPT CHURCH

Jonathan Jenkins, Pastor
Morn. Worship... 10:00 a.m.
Sunday School... 9:00 a.m.
Even. Service... 5:00 p.m.

LIVING WORD CHURCH

Derrick Stinson, Pastor
Saturday Service... 9:45 a.m.
Sunday Service... 10:30 a.m.
Even. Service... 6:00 p.m.
Thurs. Service... 6:00 p.m.

LIBERTY CHURCH OF CHRIST

Greg Hanchey, Minister
Sunday School... 10:00 a.m.
Morn. Worship... 11:00 a.m.
Even. Service... 5:00 p.m.

LOVE'S WAY CHURCH

Charles Jones, Pastor
Sunday School... 10:00 a.m.
Morn. Worship... 11:00 a.m.
Sunday Evening... 6:00 p.m.
Wed. Service... 7:00 p.m.

MT. CALVARY BAPTIST CHURCH

J. R. Parks, Pastor
Sunday School... 9:45 a.m.
Morn. Worship... 11:00 a.m.
1st & 3rd Sundays

MT. GILEAD BAPTIST CHURCH

Dewey Emfinger, Pastor
Sunday School... 10:00 a.m.
Morn. Worship... 11:00 a.m.
Sunday Evening... 5:00 p.m.
Wed. Service... 5:00 p.m.

MT. OLIVE BAPTIST CHURCH

Olson Strickland, Pastor
Sunday School... 10:00 a.m.
Morn. Worship... 11:00 a.m.
Even. Service... 5:00 p.m.
Wed. Prayer Meeting 7:00 p.m.

NEW HOPE BAPT CHURCH

Lanny Shepard, Pastor
Sunday School... 9:00 a.m.
Morn. Worship... 10:00 a.m.
Even. Service... 5:00 p.m.
Wed. Prayer Service 6:30 p.m.

NEW HAVEN BAPTIST CHURCH

Brad Sasser, Pastor
Sunday School... 10:00 a.m.
Morn. Worship... 11:00 a.m.
Even. Worship... 5:00 p.m.
Wed. Even. Service 6:30 p.m.

NEW HAVEN ASSEMBLY OF GOD CHURCH

James Starks Jr., Pastor
Sunday School... 9:45 a.m.
Morn. Worship... 11:00 a.m.
Even. Worship... 6:00 p.m.
Bib Stud Wed... 6:00 p.m.

NEW PHILADELPHIA CHURCH OF GOD IN CHRIST

Loreant Flowers, Minister
Sunday School... 9:00 a.m.
Morn. Worship... 11:00 a.m.
2nd & 4th Sundays

OAK GROVE BAPTIST CHURCH

Julian Mitchell, Pastor
Sunday School... 9:45 a.m.
Morn. Worship... 11:00 a.m.

OLD TABERNACLE UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

Lee Jones, Pastor
Sunday School... 10:00 a.m.
Morn. Worship... 11:00 a.m.

PERDUE ASSEMBLY OF GOD

Sunday School... 9:45 a.m.
Morn. Worship... 11:00 a.m.
Even. Worship... 6:00 p.m.
Wed. Service... 7:00 p.m.

PINEY GROVE ASSEMBLY OF GOD - SAMSON

Terry McCrummen, Pastor
Sunday School... 9:45 a.m.
Morn. Worship... 11:00 a.m.
Evening Worship... 6:00 p.m.
Wed. Worship... 7:00 p.m.

PRaise & GLORY WORSHIP CENTER

Roy L. Turner, Pastor
Sunday School... 10:00 a.m.
Morn. Worship... 11:00 a.m.
Even. Worship... 5:00 p.m.
Wed. Service... 6:30 p.m.

ROCKY HEAD M.B. CHURCH

A. R. Williams, Pastor
Sunday School... 9:00 a.m.
Morn. Worship... 10:30 a.m.
Wed. Bible Study... 6:00 p.m.
2nd & 4th Sundays

ROETON BAPTIST CHURCH

Sunday School... 9:45 a.m.
Morn. Worship... 11:00 a.m.
Even. Service... 6:00 p.m.
Wed. Prayer Meet... 7:00 p.m.

SHADY GROVE AME CHURCH

James Boots, Pastor
Sunday School... 10:00 a.m.
Morn. Worship... 11:00 a.m.
Praise Service Mon 5:00 p.m.
Wed. Bible Study... 6:00 p.m.

SHILOH BAPTIST CHURCH

Sunday School... 9:45 a.m.
Morn. Worship... 11:00 a.m.
Even. Service... 4:00 p.m.
Wed. Prayer Meet... 6:30 p.m.

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and we are excited to be their host for these baseball tournaments," Hanchey said. "While in Elba, we hope the baseball fans will visit some of our other businesses like restaurants, retail and convenient stores, as well as, maybe utilize some of our other recreation facilities such as the Splash Pad and Tiger Town Park."

Elba Chamber of Commerce director Sandy Williams said events such as these Dixie Youth baseball tournaments are positive things for the community.

"When youth are participating in competitive events, we find you often have not just mom and dad, but grandparents and siblings who come into town as well," Williams said. "So, we are seeing an increase in families coming into our area. One of the selling points is Elba is a family-friendly destination. It gives families an opportunity to

not just be at their event during the day but be off site and experience shopping and dining and other fun things to do in our city."

Both Hanchey and Williams said they are excited to see the impacts these tournaments will bring to Elba regarding increased business for local merchants, but they also are excited to share with others the many things Elba has to offer beyond its businesses.

The top two teams from the district tournaments will advance to the Dixie Youth Baseball State Tournament set for July.

Hanchey said admission prices for the district tournaments in Elba will be \$6 on Thursday with one dollar of that going to the Dixie Youth Scholarship Fund. Admission for the remaining days of the tournament will be \$5 per person. This allows the attendee to watch baseball action for both the 10U and 12U tournaments.



ELBA MASONS PRESENT SCHOLARSHIP AWARDS...In a ceremony held Tuesday evening, May 17, the Elba Masonic Lodge #170 presented \$17,000 in Alabama Grand Lodge and Lodge Scholarships to 17 students from Alabama Group Four. This year's recipients were: Raegan Victoria Bragg, Paden Lane Boothe, Hailey Danielle Carter, Samantha Brooke Carter, Brianna Nicole Davis, Halee Elizabeth Deal, Kacy Lee Hussey, Layken Cole Hussey, Kenzie Makylah Jones, May Morgan Lusk, Jordan McKenzie Morrow, Aryn Elisabeth Nelson, Victoria Ann Riley, Collin Douglas Sauls, Patrick Whitworth Shehee, Mary Austin Victoria Stabler, and Jasmine Ayiana Walker. Additionally, the Culver Scholarship was awarded to Paden Lane Boothe. This scholarship was presented by Hilda Culver Allen in memory of Elba Lodge Brothers, Hillary Herbert Culver Jr. and Ronald Keith Culver.

**Lifestyles
News is due
on Mondays!**

ESCC's LPN program application deadline extended

The Fall 2022 application deadline for Enterprise State Community College's first traditional Practical Nursing program has been extended to Monday, June 13.

The new, three-semester program will hold its first classes on August 22. Throughout the program, students will receive essential skills training in IV therapy, wound care, head-to-toe assessments, medication administration and more while receiving hands-on experience in the nursing field through clinicals and training simulators in the newly renovated nursing lab on campus.

"We are all too aware of the growing need of licensed nurses not only here in the Wiregrass, but across our state and nation also," Interim President Danny Long said. "At Enterprise State, we are taking every step possible to help to meet those needs, including designing a state-of-the-art nursing facility that offers our students training situations that will only help them be more successful in the field."

The traditional nursing program is the latest addition to the college's health science program offerings and the second nursing program offered on campus. During the Spring 2022 semester, the first group of practical nursing students took part in a special pinning ceremony for the college's unique Practical Nursing Bridge Program on May 6. This bridge program trains certified medical assistants and paramedics to serve in the nursing field.

Both programs join the already established Medical Assistant Technology (MAT) and Emergency Medical Services (EMS) programs at the College.

"We are proud to have already had one group of graduates complete our Bridge Program this past spring, and we're excited to have our first class of traditional nursing students start their training with us this fall," Long said. "With these two new programs and our other successful MAT and EMS programs already available at the College, we are able to fill a need in healthcare our community. We can't wait to see the impact these students will make in our community."

Bridget Glover, who completed both the College's Medical Assistant Technology (MAT) and the Practical Nursing Bridge Program, said ESCC's program offerings have allowed her to pursue a career in a field that allows her to care for others.

"I've always been passionate in caring for people ever since I was little," she said. "I pursued the MAT program because we didn't have nursing here at the time, and I really excelled in that program. I loved it. The instructor was amazing. When we got the LPN program here, it was a God-sent gift to me because I could go, in my hometown, and actually get the education I needed to further my career."

Glover described her time at ESCC as a "wonderful" experience, saying she would recommend others pursue their education and training at the College. "I've actually reached out to plenty of people who have gone through the MAT program with me and have gone through the program after me to actually pursue the LPN program," she said. "I give recommendations for this school every time I turn around. Any time I talk to somebody, I direct them to ESCC."

"At ESCC, it's like home. All the instructors have been amazing. The people around here are so friendly and so kind. We help each other out. It's just a wonderful school to be at." Nursing Program Coordinator Amy Phillips, who has over 20 years of experience in nursing and education, has led the charge to bring the new nursing programs to campus.

"Nursing can be found in many areas surrounding our lives, from those who work with patients in the hospital and doctors' offices to those who work in long-term care facilities and even telehealth," Phillips said.

lips said. "We currently have two paths to assist our nursing students in reaching their career goals, and we hope to see our nursing options grow even more in the coming years."

"There is a huge demand for nurses, and ESCC is here to meet those training needs," she said. To apply for the three-semester, traditional Practical Nursing Program, visit escc.edu/practical-nurse. Students must complete both the Enterprise State Community College admissions application and the Practical Nursing application.

LBWCC names new mascot

LBW Community College has announced the name of the College's first-ever mascot – a Saint Bernard named Blue.

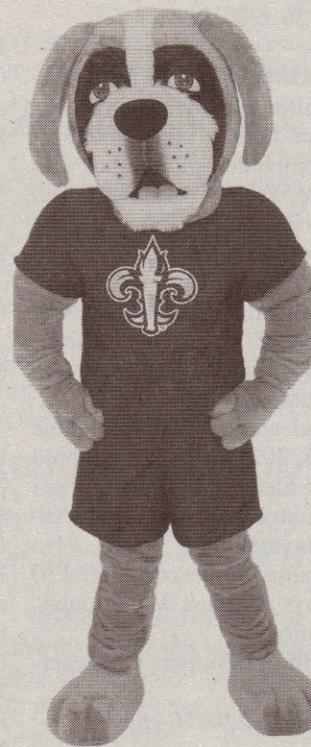
The College invited the community to participate in naming the new mascot and over three hundred suggestions were submitted. The name 'Blue' was nominated by many through the official online poll, and we believe it is fitting to the LBW brand and will be an instant connection within the community," said LBW President Dr. Brock Kelley.

"We were so excited to have that much participation from the community through name suggestions," said Katie King, Director of Student & Community Engagement.

"Blue will serve as an ambassador and will help LBW continue our mission to be the community's college," Kelley added.

Blue's first appearance will be at the LBW Experience, a new student orientation on each campus this month.

For inquiries on Blue's schedule of events, please contact Katie King at kking@lbwcc.edu.



Local students make Chancellor's List at Troy

Troy University announces students who have been named to the Chancellor's List for the spring semester and Term 4 of the 2021/2022 academic year.

Full-time undergraduate students who are registered for at least 12 semester hours and who earn a grade point average of 4.0 qualify for the Chancellor's List. The spring semester includes students at the Troy, Ala., campus. Term 4 includes students at TROY's campuses in Dothan, Phenix City and Montgomery, Ala., along with locations outside of Alabama and online.

Local students on the list include:

• Elba, Ala.: Kerry Hussey, Vanesa Jimenez, Skyler Nalley, Anna Nelson, Annsley Renfroe, Jessica Lambert, Gracie Coppage, and Morgan Windham

• Jack, Ala.: Justin Bowman, Raegan Bragg, Savannah Parker, and Anice Thompson

• Kinston, Ala.: Rebecca Senn

• New Brockton, Ala.: Jaden Boland, Cierra Miller, and Michael O'Neill

• New Brockton, Ala. – Brannon Brown, Lori Hendrix, and Cierra Miller

• Elba, Ala. – Jettadia Bush, Joshua Simmons, Sandra Sellers, and Laken Whigham

• Jack, Ala. – Sherri Henley

• Kinston, Ala. – Brenten Holbrook, Ty Mock, and Tara Biddle

Local students graduate from Troy University

Local students who graduated included:

• Elba, Ala. – Jettadia Bush, Joshua Simmons, Sandra Sellers, and Laken Whigham

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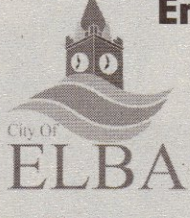
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LEGAL NOTICE

In accordance with Chapter 1, Title 39, Code of Alabama, 1975, notice is hereby given that Diversified General Contractors LLC, Contractor has completed the Contract for Modernization of Public Housing Sites AL107-2, VIII; AL107-4, VIII; AL107-5, VIII and AL107-6, VII CFP Modernization Number: AL09-P107-501-21 at Elba for the Housing Authority of the City of Elba, Owner(s), and have made request for final settlement of said Contract. All persons having any claim for labor, materials or otherwise in connection with this project should immediately notify The Architectural Office of William J. Peek, 908 S. Hull Street, Montgomery, AL 36104. Diversified General Contractors LLC 1120 US Hwy 84 East, Opp, AL 36467 5-26/6-2,9, & 16-chg

IN THE PROBATE COURT FOR COFFEE COUNTY, ALABAMA

IN RE: The Estate of Clifton Carter, Deceased

Case No. PC 2022-040

NOTICE OF APPOINTMENT TO BE PUB-

LISHED BY EXECUTOR

Letters of Testamentary under the Will of said deceased having been granted to **Julie Hughes** as Executrix of the Estate of **Clifton Carter** on the 19th day of May, 2022, by the Hon. Jodee R. Thompson, Judge of Probate Court of Coffee County, notice is hereby given that all persons having claims against the said Estate are hereby required to present the same within the time allowed by law or the same will be barred. /s/ Jodee R. Thompson, **Jodee R. Thompson, Probate Judge** 5/26,6/2,&9-pd.

IN THE PROBATE COURT OF COFFEE COUNTY, ALABAMA

IN RE: THE ESTATE OF WILLIE RAY CROCKER, Deceased.

CASE NO: PC-22-039

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

TAKE NOTICE that Letters Testamentary were granted the 19th day of May, 2022, to Mary Hodge Crocker as Executrix of the Estate of Willie Ray Crocker, deceased, who departed this life on the 2nd day of May, 2022, by the Hon. Jodee Thompson, Judge of Probate.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that all persons having claims against said Estate are hereby required to present the same within the time allowed by law or the same will be barred. **L. Merrill Shirley, Attorney for the Estate of Willie Ray Crocker, Deceased** 5/26, 6/2,&9-pd.

NOTICE OF FORECLOSURE

Default having been made in the payment of the indebtedness secured by that certain mortgage dated January 11, 1999, executed by Carla Mixon Davidson and husband, Stephen W. Davidson, to Greenpoint Credit Corp., which mortgage was recorded on January 22, 1999, in OFFREC Book 105, Page 549, of the mortgage records in the Office of the Judge of Probate of Coffee County, Alabama, which mortgage was duly transferred and assigned to U.S. Bank Trust National Association, not in its individual capacity but solely as collateral trust trustee of FirstKey Master Funding 2021-A Collateral Trust, notice is hereby given that pursuant to law and the power of sale contained in said mortgage, the undersigned will sell at public outcry, to the highest bidder for cash, in front of the Main entrance to the

Coffee County Courthouse at Elba, Alabama, during the legal hours of sale on July 12, 2022, the following described real estate, situated in Coffee County, Alabama, to-wit:

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IN THE PROBATE COURT OF COFFEE COUNTY, ALABAMA

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF: NANCY MARY PIPKINS, deceased

CASE NO. PC-2021-046B

NOTICE OF APPOINTMENT TO BE PUBLISHED BY EXECUTOR

Letters Testamentary under the Last Will and Testament of said deceased having been granted to **Kim Ellis**, on the 23rd day of May, 2022, by the Honorable Jodee R. Thompson, Judge of Probate of Coffee County, Alabama, notice is hereby given that all persons having claims against said estate are hereby required to present the same within the time allowed by law or the same will be barred. /s/ Kim Ellis
Kim Ellis, Executor

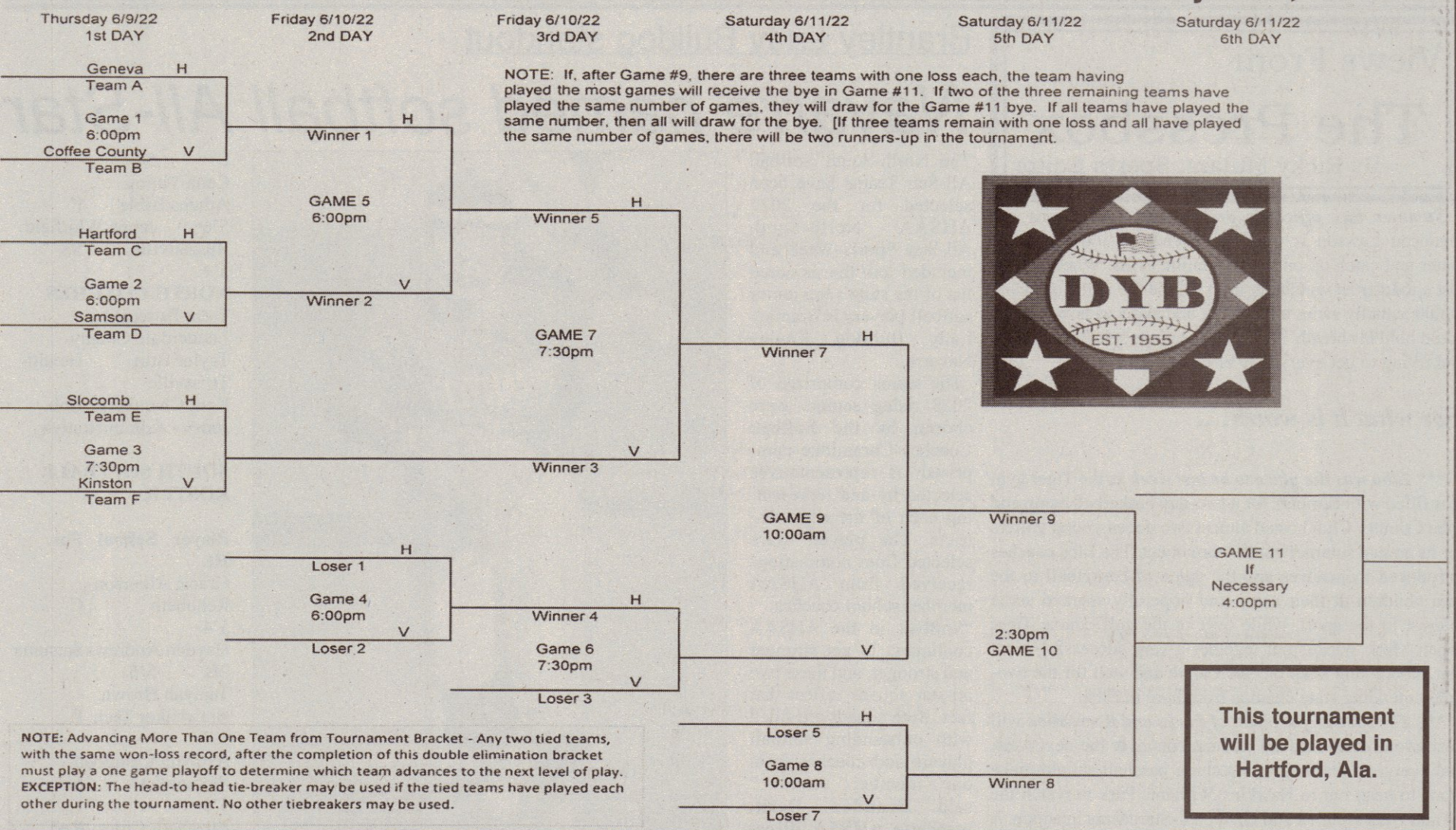
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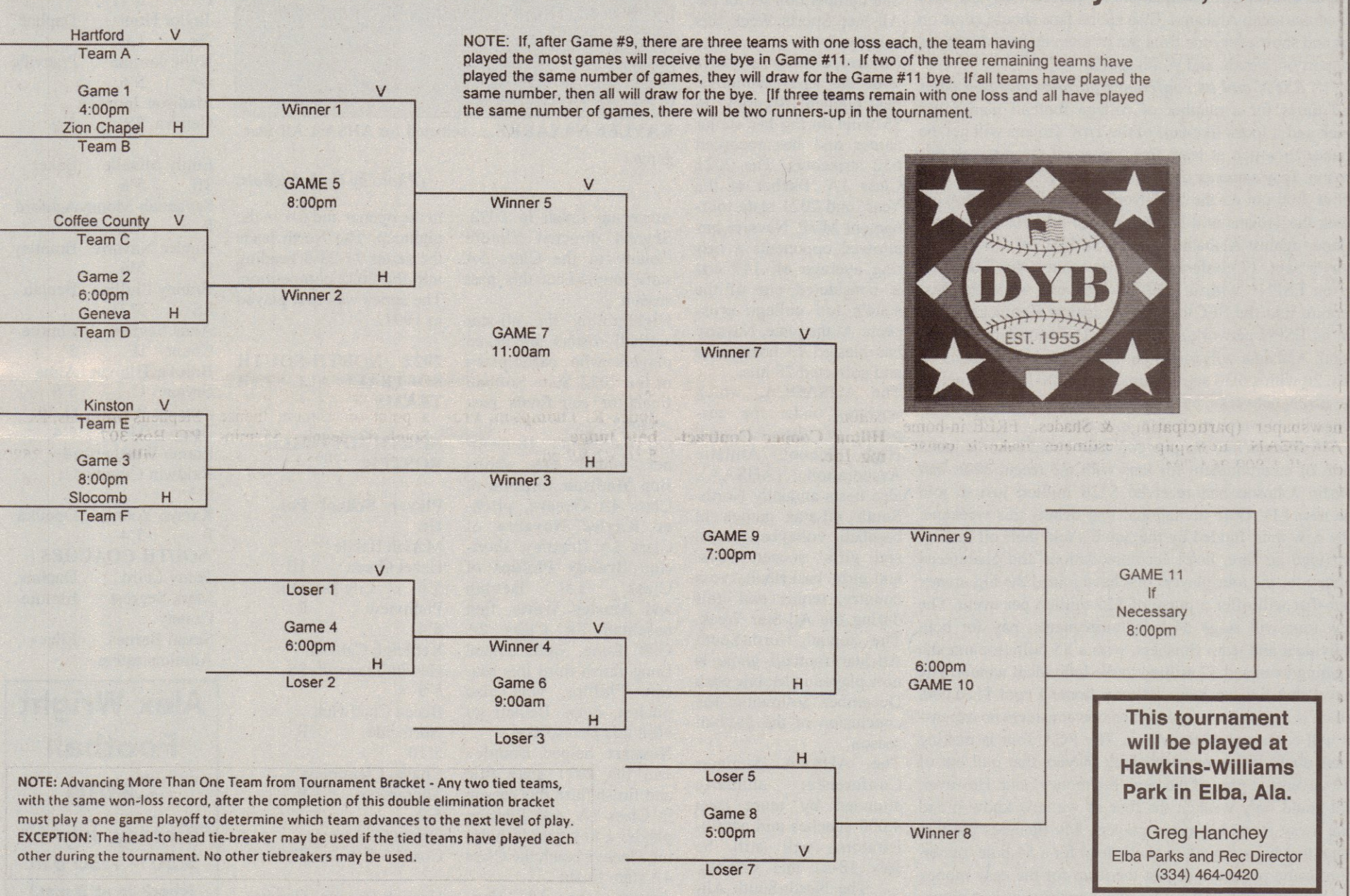
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Boys Dixie Youth Baseball District Tourneys begin Thursday, June 9th • Elba hosting 10U & 12U

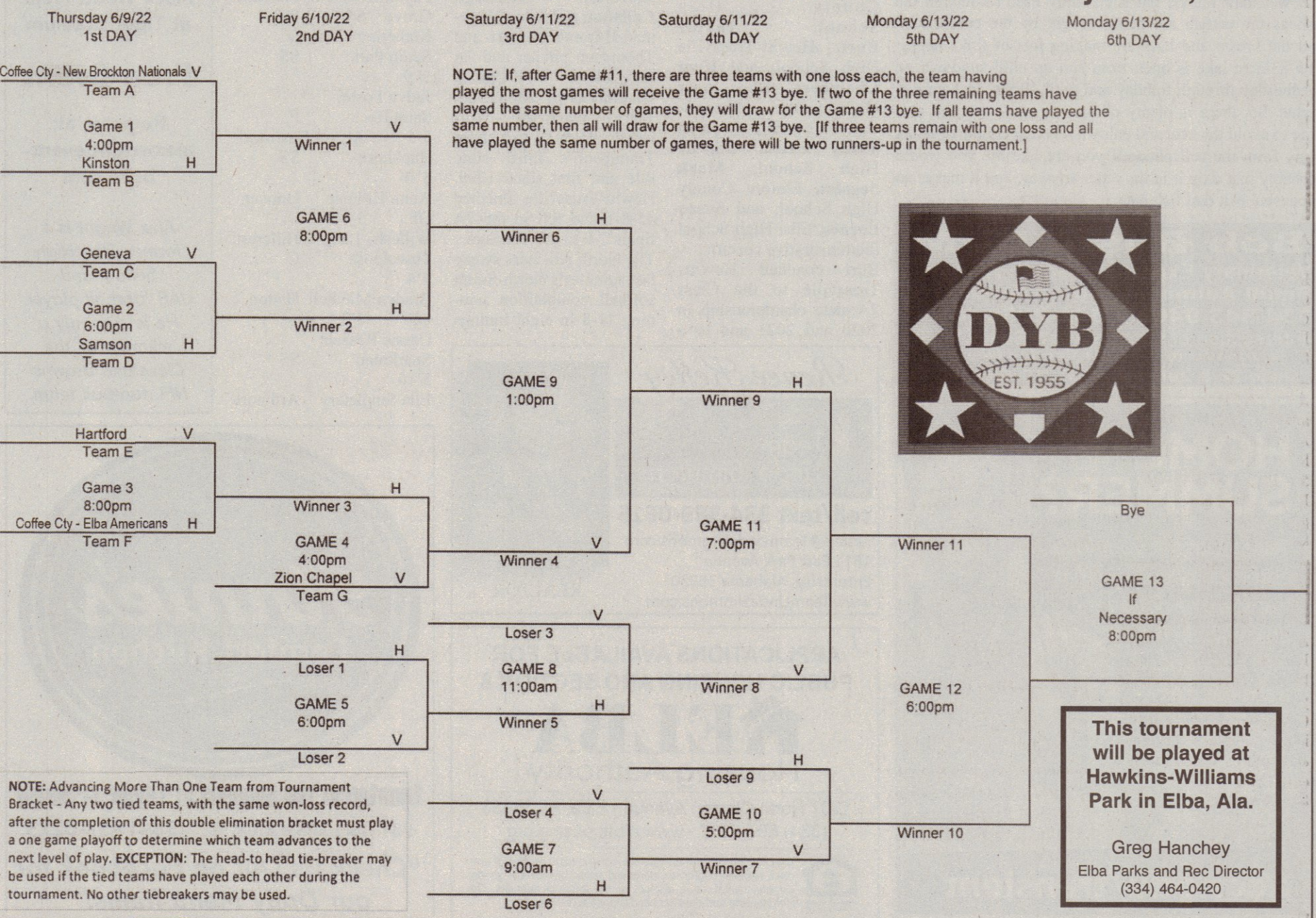
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Dixie Youth Baseball Seven Team Double Elimination Bracket for Boys 12U, Div. 2



SPORTS NEWS

Views From

The Pressbox

By Ricky Mularz, Sports Editor

Summer has officially arrived and that means our grandson Lawson is more than ready to jump into the water and catch up on his swimming skills. When he was just a toddler he would get us to fill the tub to the brim and would actually swim underwater and show us how long he could hold his breath. Now he just enjoys splashing around and trying to get everybody else wet!

For what it is worth....

*** *Elba was the place to be last week* as the Tiger gym was filled with campers for a two-day basketball camp and Elba Country Club hosted almost two dozen young golfers for its annual summer youth tournament. The Elba coaches introduced themselves and the game of basketball to the area children at their camp and hopefully sparked some interest in the sport, while over at the golf course Tiger coach Mark Wicker put together a very successful event that should help keep the sport alive and well for the two-time defending state champs from here in Elba.

*** *The Elba Department of Parks and Recreation* will host two district baseball tournaments over the next week and everyone that enjoys watching baseball should make plans to head out to Hawkins-Williams Park to watch the 10 and Under and 12 and Under All-Star teams in action. A great deal of work and money has been put into the facility at Hawkins-Williams Park in recent years and this week it will be tournament headquarters for players and fans from all across south Alabama. Elba sports fans should come on out and show everyone from out of town that we do indeed support our youth, and youth sports.

*** *ESPN and its conference partners released dates* and times for a number of college football games last week and it looks like fans of the Troy Trojans will get the chance to watch at least five games on the network this season. Troy's opener on Sept. 3 against Ole Miss will kick off at 3:00 pm on the SEC Network, while the following week the Trojans will be back on the tube for their home opener against Alabama A & M, at 6:00 pm, on ESPN3. Troy's Sept. 17 conference opener against App State will be on ESPN+ with a 2:30 pm kick off, while the next venture into the SEC on Oct. 1, against Kentucky, is set for an ESPN network at 6:00 pm. The annual battle with South Alabama will round out the season's TV games on Oct. 20 with a 6:30 starting time on ESPN. I don't get all the ESPN networks, but I imagine a lot of Trojan fans will subscribe to watch their team in action.

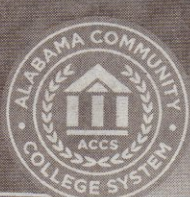
*** *It looks like the pro golf tour* could become just a form of entertainment for fans with the recent news that Dustin Johnson had received \$126 million just to join the new LIV Golf Invitational that debuts this weekend. The new tour, funded by the Saudi's and their oil money, provided air fare, hotel accommodations and guaranteed money for the tour players that have joined the big money tour that will offer a purse of \$25 million per event. The new tour will stage 54-hole tournaments, pay for both individual and team finishers, with a \$5 million purse the winning team and \$2 million to the individual winner. The player that finishes last will carry home a cool \$120,000, which is better that it looks when one considers no expenses will come out of the check. The PGA Tour is making noise about fining or suspending players that pull out of PGA events to play of the new 'big money' tour. However, that could only weaken the tour as we now know it and take away many big name players. My thoughts are that when that big a payout is guaranteed for a 54-hole tournament some players will just tee it up for the easy money and the pro game will not be as competitive as it is now.

*** *In closing....* The hot weather may have affected the fishermen that love to come out to the county pond and wet their hooks, but it certainly hasn't bothered the fish as the catfish are being caught by the cooler load and the bream and bass are making lots of folks happy. The 83-acre lake is open from sun up until sundown on Wednesday through Sunday and until 10 pm on Saturday nights. So, there is plenty of time to come out and also time to avoid the heat and enjoy a relaxing couple of hours away from the cell phone. If you are like me you would probably just drop it in the water anyway, and it makes an expensive bait that fish hate.

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Brantley Lady Bulldog standout

Navarre named softball All-Star

The North-South Softball All-Star Teams have been selected for the 2022 AHSAA North-South All-Star Sports Week and included on the honored list of the state's top junior softball players is Brantley Lady Bulldog Kaylee Navarre.

The teams comprised of 2023 rising seniors were chosen by the Softball Coaches Committee comprised of representatives selected by and representing each of the eight districts. The players were selected from nominations received from AHSAA member school coaches. "Softball in the AHSAA continues to get stronger and stronger, and these two all-star squads reflect that fact. Both squads are filled with outstanding softball players and coaches from our member schools," said **Brandon Dean**, associate AHSAA director. "We look forward to watching them in the All-Star competition set for the All-Star Sports Week this summer."

Navarre, a two-year starter with the Lady Bulldogs, has pitched Brantley to 35 wins during her stellar career and has recorded 652 strikeouts. The 2021 Class 1A 'Pitcher of the Year' and 2021 state tournament MVP, Navarre has allowed opponents a batting average of .147 and is considered one of the state's top college prospects. At the plate, Navarre has blasted 13 home runs and collected 78 hits.

The AHSADCA, which operates under the auspices of the Alabama High School Athletic Association (AHSAA), also hosts annually North-South all-star games in baseball, volleyball, boys' and girls' soccer, boys' and girls' basketball, cross country, tennis and golf during the All-Star Week. The annual North-South All-Star football game is now played in Mobile each December following the conclusion of the football season.

The AHSAA Summer Conference, annually attended by more than 4,000 coaches and administrators, will still be July 18-22 this summer.

The North-South All-Star softball coaches include: (North) **Trent Patterson**, Lauderdale County High School; **Taylor Burt**, Hewitt-Trussville High School; and **Kent Chambers**, Bob Jones High School (administrative coach); (South) **Jenny Laird**, Daphne High School; **Mark Segrest**, Elmore County High School; and **Susan Barnes**, Elba High School (administrative coach).

Burt coached Hewitt-Trussville to the Class 7A state championship in 2020 and 2021 and to a



KAYLEE NAVARRE..... selected for AHSAA All-Star game.

(Photo by Cody Nichols)

runner-up finish in 2022. Segrest directed Elmore County to the Class 5A state tournament this past season.

Highlighting the all-star softball rosters are seven players who participated in the 2022 State Softball finals or semifinals past season.

On the South 18-member squad are shortstop **Madison Johnson** of Class 4A Geneva, pitcher **Kaylee Navarre** of Class 1A Brantley, shortstop **Brandy Phillips** of Class 3A Beulah and **Ainsley Watts**, first baseman for Class 2A G.W. Long. Watts helped Long finish third this season. Phillips, who also pitches, helps Beulah go 40-8 this past season. Navarre helped Brantley win the 2021 state title and finish third this season in Class 1A, and Johnson played a key role in helping Geneva reach the Class 4A state finals.

Among the 18 players on the North squad are Hewitt-Trussville shortstop **Kenleigh Callahan** and second baseman **Hannah Dorsett**, and Thompson pitcher and 7A state tourney MVP **Chalea Clemmons** of Thompson. The Warriors finished 45-8-1 to claim Thompson's third state title and first since 1999. Hewitt-Trussville finished 45-8-1 and fell in the 7A finals 2-0 to the Warriors. The North All-Stars sweep last summer's North-South softball competition winning 11-8 in eight innings

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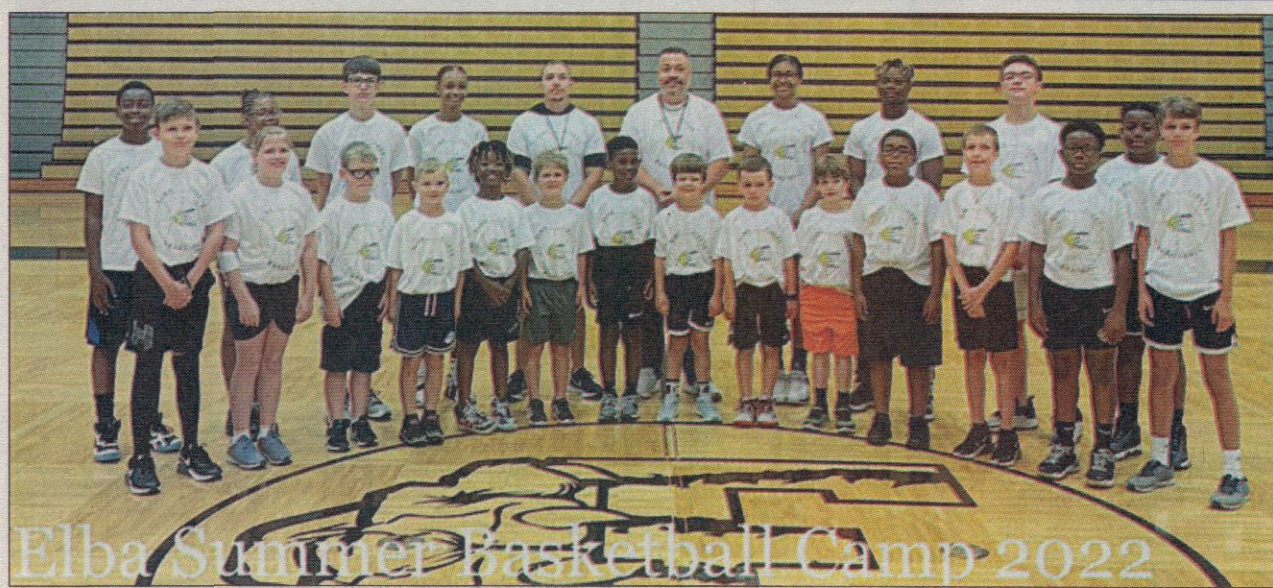
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Elba Summer Basketball Camp 2022
YOUTH BASKETBALL CAMP... was held last week at the Elba Tiger gym for boys and girls ages 12 and under. The camp was a two-day event with Elba Tiger coaches Kelsey Prestwood and Shaun Hammonds serving as camp clinicians.

Alligator tag registration open until July 13

The Alabama Department of Conservation and Natural Resources (ADCNR) opened online registration for the state's regulated alligator hunts on June 7, 2022, at 8 a.m. Registration must be completed by 8 a.m., July 13. For complete season information visit www.outdooralabama.com/seasons-and-bag-limits/alligator-season.

A total of 260 Alligator Possession Tags will be distributed among five hunting zones. The administrative fee to apply for an Alligator Possession Tag is \$22 and individuals may register one time per zone. While the tag is free, the selected hunters and their assistants are required to have valid hunting licenses in their possession while hunting.

Only Alabama residents and Alabama lifetime license holders ages 16 years or older may apply for tags. Alabama lifetime license holders may apply for an Alligator Possession Tag even if they have moved out of the state.

Hunters will be randomly selected by computer to receive one Alligator Possession Tag each (the tags are non-transferable). The random selection process will utilize a preference point system. The system increases the likelihood of repeat registrants being selected for a hunt as long as the applicant continues to apply. The more years an applicant participates in the registration, the higher the likelihood of being selected. If an applicant does not register for the hunt in a given year or is selected and accepts a tag for a hunt, the preference point status is forfeited.

Applicants can check their selection status on July 13, after 12 p.m., at <https://publichunts.dcnr.alabama.gov/public>. Those selected to receive a tag must confirm their acceptance online by 8 a.m., July 20. After that date, alternates will be notified to fill any vacancies. Applicants drawn for the hunt are required to complete an online Alligator Training Course prior to accepting their hunter/alternate status. The official course will be available on the applicant's status page upon login.

If selected for an Alligator Possession Tag at two or more locations, hunters must choose which location they would like to hunt. The slot for locations not chosen will be filled from a list of randomly selected alternates.

Hunting zones, total tags issued per zone and hunt dates are as follows:

SOUTHWEST ALABAMA ZONE - 100 Tags
Locations: Private and public waters in Baldwin and Mobile counties north of interstate 10, and private and public waters in Washington, Clarke and Monroe counties east of U.S. Highway 43 and south of U.S. Highway 84. 2022 Dates: Sunset on August 11, until sunrise on August 14. Sunset on August 18, until sunrise on August 21.

COASTAL ZONE - 50 Tags
Locations: Private and public waters in Baldwin and Mobile counties south of Interstate 10. 2022 Dates: Sunset on August 11, until sunrise on August 14. Sunset

on August 18, until sunrise on August 21.

SOUTHEAST ALABAMA ZONE - 40 Tags
Locations: Private and public waters in Barbour, Coffee, Covington, Dale, Geneva, Henry, Houston and Russell counties (excluding public Alabama state waters in Walter F. George Reservoir/Lake Eufaula and its navigable tributaries). 2022 Dates: Sunset on August 13, until sunrise on September 5.

WEST CENTRAL ALABAMA ZONE - 50 Tags
Locations: Private and public waters in Monroe (north of U.S. Highway 84), Wilcox and Dallas counties. 2022 Dates: Sunset on August 11, until sunrise on August 14. Sunset on August 18, until sunrise on August 21.

LAKE EUFAULA ZONE - 20 Tags
Locations: Public state waters only in the Walter F. George Reservoir/Lake Eufaula and its navigable tributaries, south of Alabama Highway 208 at Omaha Bridge (excludes Eufaula National Wildlife Refuge). 2022 Dates: Sunset August 19, until sunrise October 3.

Each person receiving an Alligator Possession Tag will be allowed to harvest one alligator during the season. An 8-foot minimum length requirement is in effect for alligators harvested in the Lake Eufaula Zone. There is no minimum length for hunts in the other zones. The use of bait is prohibited. All alligator harvests must be immediately tagged with the temporary Alligator Possession Tag and reported as directed for each Zone. The permanent Alligator Possession Tag will be distributed after the hunt by Wildlife and Freshwater Fisheries Division personnel.

Hunting hours are official sunset to official sunrise in the Southwest, Coastal, Southeast and West Central Zones. For the Lake Eufaula Zone, hunting is allowed both daytime and nighttime hours. All Alabama hunting and boating regulations must be followed.

The American alligator (*Alligator mississippiensis*) is the largest reptile in North America and can exceed 14 feet in length and 1,000 pounds. Known for its prized meat and leather, the species was threatened with extinction due to unregulated harvest during the 1920s, 30s and 40s. No regulations existed in those days to limit the number of alligators harvested. In 1938, it is believed that Alabama was the first state to protect alligators by outlawing these unlimited harvests. Other states soon followed and, in 1967, the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service placed the American alligator on the endangered species list. By 1987, the species was removed from the endangered species list and the alligator population has continued to expand. Its history illustrates an excellent conservation success story.

ADCNR promotes wise stewardship, management and enjoyment of Alabama's natural resources through four divisions: Marine Resources, State Lands, State Parks, and Wildlife and Freshwater Fisheries.

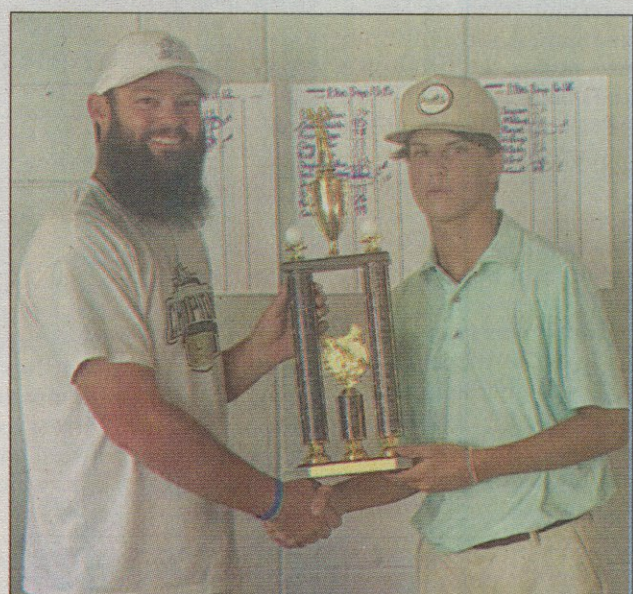
Elba Country Club crowns junior golf champions

The Elba Country Club held its annual 'Junior Golf' tournament last week with a total of 21 area golfers hitting the course in the 18-hole, medalist event.

The winner in the 'Boys 11-12' division was Cam Kyser with an 88, followed in order by Cooper Robley 90, Powell Bane 112 and Jace Steed 113.

The winner in the 'Boys 13-15' division was Elba's own Jay Wilson with a one-over par 73. Elba's Trace Grantham followed with an 81, and was followed in order by Brady Ellis 86, Reid Ellis 88, Clay Kyser 88, Banks Johnson 89, Caden Machen 94, Charlie Walsh 95, Pierce Majors 98, Porter Nelson 106 and Drayton Whitten 113.

The winner in the 'Boys 16-18' division was Braden Prestwood with a four-under par 68. Landon Rogers placed second with a 75, followed by Peyton McCart 76, Coy Ingram 82, Hunter McCarty 82 and Conner Machen 86.



BRADEN PRESTWOOD - receives the 16-18 championship trophy from Elba Tiger golf coach and tourney director Mark Wicker.



JAY WILSON - receives the 13-15 championship trophy from Elba Tiger gold coach and tourney director Mark Wicker.



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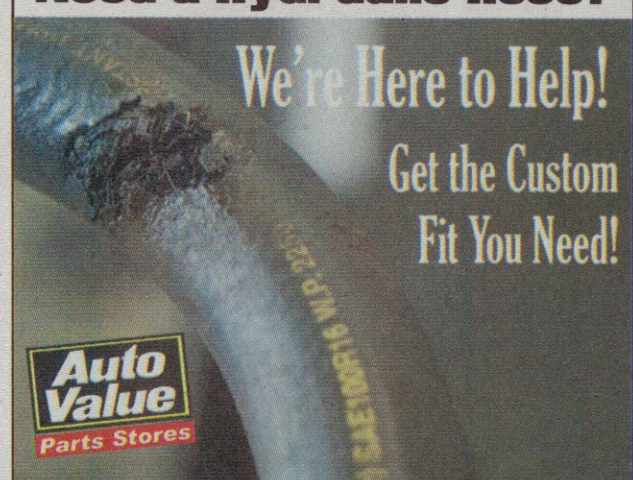
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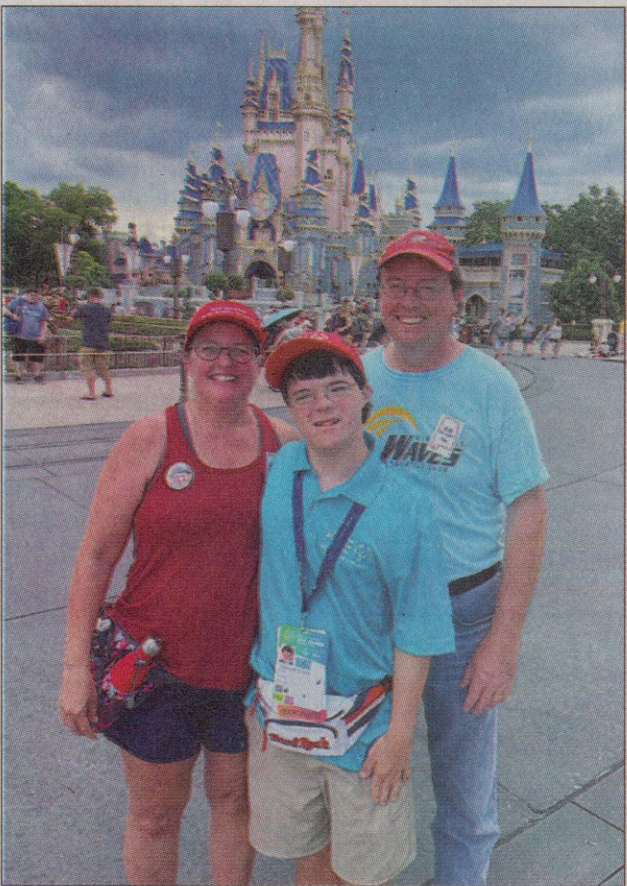
experience, including visiting Walt Disney World's Magic Kingdom.

Spirit and community are at the heart of the USA Games, and each day fans can attend the athletic competitions and awards ceremonies – at no charge – visit the Fan Zone, take part in special activities, and learn more about Special Olympics programs.

Back home in Elba, Joseph's many fans have been keeping up with his successes in the pool via Facebook updates from his mom, Anne, and from the smiles on Joseph's face, he has been having the time of his life at the Games!

On Tuesday morning, Joseph finished third in the 100 yd Backstroke event for a bronze medal win!

Joseph was set to begin his quest to medal in the 200 yd individual medley event with preliminary swims set for Wednesday, and the medal rounds set for Thursday.



On Monday afternoon, Joseph Cline and other Special Olympics athletes competing in the USA Games in Orlando, Fla. were able to visit Disney's Magic Kingdom for a little fun in between competitions. Joseph's parents (Joel and Anne Cline) were able to join him for this experience.



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RWCC meeting set for June 15th

The Republican Women of Coffee County will meet Wednesday, June 15, at the Enterprise Country Club, 3000 Ozark Highway.

Doors open at 10:30 a.m. The luncheon will start at 10:45. Reservations can be made by contacting Shannon Smith at 334-494-2753 or <rwccreservations@gmail.com>. She will need to know how many in each party and how many will be eating.

The run-off candidates for Senate, Public Service Commission Place 1 & 2, and State Auditor have been invited to speak.

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Dedication of the Jimmy Holley Highway in Elba

Sunday, June 12, 2022 • 2:00 p.m.

Location: Shoppes at Taylor Crossings Parking Lot

A Reception will Follow at the Elba Country Club



Several members of the Elba Volunteer Fire Department were at Firehouse Subs, Enterprise, on Tuesday afternoon, June 7, for a special presentation. The fire department accepted a \$24,445 grant check from the Firehouse Subs Public Safety Foundation that helped it acquire new up-to-date extrication equipment. The check presentation was made by Derick Thomas, Firehouse Subs franchisee in Enterprise, to Elba Fire Chief Drew Parker. Those pictured above include (front, l to r): Chief Parker, Matt Trott, Dennis Manning, and Elba Mayor Tom Maddox; (back, l to r) Alan Willis, Jonathon Farmer, Johnny Manning, Firehouse Subs franchisee Derick Thomas, and Mark Kelley.

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to work with Thomas, the local franchisee for Firehouse Subs, to be able to get the award.

"Without a local contact, like Derick, it is hard to get these type donations," Parker said. "I also want to thank the foundation because with our without folks like Derick this would not even be possible if the foundation did not exist."

The fire chief said Firehouse Subs made a similar donation to the Elba Volunteer Fire Department 12 years ago, and he said that piece of extrication equipment purchased then is still used on the fire truck today.

"There is no telling how many lives have been saved with that piece of equipment over the past 12 years," Parker said. "That is our first tool out at an accident."

However, he said the department was looking to update the equipment because vehicle technology has changed over the past 12 years.

"We used to use the equipment years ago to cut the metals on a vehicle when someone was trapped," Parker said. "Today, we apply more pressure on the vehicle and break the metal because of the type of metals being used on vehicles. It is all done that way for the safety of the occupants."

Due to the change in vehicle technology, he said the department realized a need to update its equipment too.



Firehouse Subs, Enterprise, franchisee Derick Thomas (left) makes the official check presentation to Elba Fire Chief Drew Parker during Tuesday afternoon's equipment unveiling event at the restaurant. Thomas said he is proud to be a part of a restaurant that is more than just a restaurant in that it has the public safety foundation that enables business owners such as him to give back to the community.

"This is the newest technology, and I hope it lasts us at least another 12 years," Parker said. "Without Derick helping us, we would still be using outdated equipment."

According to Livingston, the Firehouse Subs Public Safety Foundation to date has granted over \$3.1 million to first responder organizations across Alabama.

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